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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant:** Toshimitsu KIMURA et al.

**Title:** STEEL FOR HIGH BEARING  
PRESSURE-RESISTANT  
MEMBER, HAVING HIGH  
MACHINABILITY, AND HIGH  
BEARING PRESSURE-  
RESISTANT MEMBER USING  
SAME STEEL

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 1, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: